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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

September 18, PEKING, British steamer, 954, Heuermann, Shanghai 15th September, General.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

September 18, HARTER, British steamer, 1,196, Grandin, Swatow 17th September, General.—RUSSELL & Co.

September 18, DOUGLAS, British steamer, 982, Young, Foochow 15th September, Amoy 16th, and Swatow ~~17th, General~~.—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

September 18, TAICHIOW, British steamer, 862, James Jordan, Bangkok 11th September, General.—YUEN FAT HONG.

September 18, SOUTH AMERICA, American ship, 1,694, Fowle, Cardiff 11th June, Coals.—ORDER.

September 18, TRITOS, German steamer, 1,140, Bleicken, Bangkok 11th September, Rice and General.—ED. SCHELLHASS & Co.

September 18, TING-YUEN, German corv., 7,000, A. F. Voss, Singapore 13th September.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
18TH SEPTEMBER.

Pechili, British str., for Swatow.
Bantam, Dutch str., for Amoy.

DEPARTURES.

September 18, CHI-YUEN, British steamer, for Whampoa.

September 18, DJEMNAH, French steamer, for Shanghai.

September 18, MENZALEH, French steamer, for Yokohama.

September 18, BANTAM, Dutch str., for Amoy.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Peking*, str., from Shanghai.—1 European, and 64 Chinese, deck.

Per *Harter*, str., from Swatow.—480 Chinese.

Per *Douglas*, str., from Coast Ports.—1 European and 123 Chinese, deck.

Per *Taichiow*, str., from Bangkok.—Capt. Wegman, and 116 Chinese.

Per *Tritos*, str., from Bangkok.—28 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The British steamer *Harter* reports left Swatow on the 17th September, and had fine weather and light N.E. wind.

The British steamer *Peking* reports left Shanghai on the 15th September, and had N. and W. wind to Tung-ying; moderate N.E. and E. to arrival with fine weather throughout.

The British steamer *Taichiow* reports left Bangkok on the 11th September, and had moderate S.W. and S. winds with fine, clear weather to Pulo Obi; thence to port strong N.E. winds and high sea; weather thick and squally.

The British steamer *Douglas* reports left Foochow on the 15th September, had moderate N.E. wind and fine weather. Left Amoy on the 16th, had moderate S.E. wind and fine weather. Left Swatow on the 17th, had light Northerly wind and fine weather. In Foochow strs. *Tannadice*, *Kiang-pian*, and *Merionethshire*, ships *Hedvig*, *Albatros*, *Amity*, *G. H. Wappaus*, *Hugo & Otto*, and *Claro Babuyan*. In Amoy strs. *Atholl* and *Hailoong*. In Swatow strs. *Clara*, *Vertigera*, and *Anatista*.

FOOCHOW SHIPPING.

September— ARRIVALS.
5, Albatross, British corv., from a cruise.
6, Fokien, British str., from Hongkong.
7, Nanzing, British str., from Shanghai.
8, Orestes, British str., from Shanghai.
8, Claro Babuyan, British bark, from Sharp Peak.
8, G. H. Wappaus, British bark, from Sharp Peak.
9, Namoa, British str., from Amoy.
9, Hedvig, British bark, from Sharp Peak.
10, Tannadice, British str., from Hongkong.
11, Galley of Lorne, Brit. str., from Shanghai.

September— DEPARTURES.
6, Kiang-pian, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
7, Albatross, British corvette, for a cruise.
7, Fokien, British str., for Hongkong.
8, Catterthun, British str., for Australia.
9, Sir Kolga, British bark, for Tientsin.
10, Glamis Castle, British str., for London.
10, Nanzing, British str., for Shanghai.
10, Orestes, British str., for Hongkong.
11, Namoa, British str., for Hongkong.
11, Meifoo, Chinese str., for a cruise.

NAGASAKI SHIPPING.

August— ARRIVALS.
27, Cuthona, British sch., from Shanghai.
28, Hampshire, British str., from Kobe.
28, Hiogo Maru, Jap. str., from Wladivostock.
29, Hever, German str., from Koren.
29, Albany, British str., from Shanghai.
29, Wanderer, British sloop, from P. Hamilton.
30, Trenton, Amr. frigate, from a cruise.
31, Hiroshima Maru, Jap. str., from Kobe.
31, Ghazee, British str., from Yokohama.

September— DEPARTURES.
1, Nagoya Maru, Jap. str., from Shanghai.
1, De Bay, British str., from Shanghai.
2, Deuteros, German str., from Hongkong.

August— DEPARTURES.
27, Wells, German str., for Wladivostock.
27, Trenton, Amr. frigate, for a cruise.
27, Ossipee, Amr. corv., for Yokohama.
27, Marion, Amr. corv., from Jenchuan.
27, Kaimon-kan, Japanese corv., for Korea.
27, Nierstein, British str., for Shanghai.
28, Cito, German str., for Tientsin.
29, Merionethshire, British str., for Shanghai.
31, Hampshire, British str., for Hongkong.
31, Albany, British str., for Yokohama.
31, Hever, German str., for Shanghai.
31, Trenton, Amr. frigate, for Yokohama.

September—
1, Cuthona, British sch., for Amoy.
1, Hiroshima Maru, Jap. str., for Shanghai.
1, Nagoya Maru, Japanese str., for Kobe.
1, Cockchafer, British g-bt., for P. Hamilton.
2, Nantilus, German g-bt., for Yokohama.

T. ALGAR AND COMPANY.
HOUSE AND ESTATE AGENTS,
RENTS COLLECTED.
BROWN, JONES & CO.,
UNDERTAKERS,
MOURNING STATIONERY, &c.,
MONUMENTS ERECTED.
6, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST. [22

SUMMER TIME TABLE.

THE KOWLOON FERRY.

STEAM-LAUNCH
"MORNING STAR"

Runs Daily as a Ferry Boat between PEDDAR'S WHARF and TSIM-TSA-TSUI at the following hours:—This Time Table will take effect from the 15th April, 1885.

WEEK DAYS.		SUNDAYS.	
Leaves Kowloon	Leaves Hongkong	Leaves Kowloon	Leaves Hongkong
6.00 A.M.	7.00 A.M.	6.00 A.M.	7.00 A.M.
8.00 ,,	8.30 ,,	7.30 ,,	8.00 ,,
8.50 ,,	9.00 ,,	9.00 ,,	10.15 ,,
9.40 ,,	*10.15 ,,	11.00 ,,	12.00 NOON.
0.45 ,,	12.30 P.M.	12.30 P.M.	1.00 P.M.
12.45 P.M.	1.00 ,,	1.30 ,,	2.00 ,,
1.30 ,,	2.00 ,,	2.30 ,,	3.00 ,,
2.20 ,,	3.00 ,,	3.30 ,,	4.00 ,,
3.30 ,,	4.00 ,,	4.15 ,,	4.30 ,,
4.15 ,,	4.30 ,,	4.50 ,,	5.10 ,,
4.50 ,,	5.10 ,,	5.25 ,,	5.40 ,,
5.25 ,,	5.40 ,,	5.55 ,,	6.15 ,,
5.55 ,,	6.15 ,,	6.45 ,,	7.00 ,,
6.45 ,,	7.00 ,,	7.15 ,,	
7.15 ,,			

*There will be no Launch on Monday and Friday, on account of coaling.

The above Time Table will be strictly adhered to except under unavoidable circumstances. In case of stress of weather, due notice will be given of any stoppages. [30

INTIMATIONS.

AUTUMN 1885.

200 CARPETS!
500 PAIRS OF CURTAINS!!
100 BEDSTEADS!!!
TO SELECT FROM.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. beg to announce that they have just received their New Stock of CARPETS and FURNISHING GOODS in this Season's Designs, Comprising—

"Brussels Carpets" in Art Colorings with Borders and Rugs to match.
"Chilidons" Carpets in Art Colorings with Borders and Rugs to match.
Westminster Carpets in Art Colorings with Borders and Rugs to match.
"Kensington Carpets," Seamless, Bordered, Fringed and Reversible. These Carpets, the most artistic production of the English Loom are woven in one piece without seam, may be used on either side, can be had in a variety of patterns and sizes, and are inexpensive and durable. A Splendid Collection of Real Indian and Persian Rugs, a large assortment of Kouls and Scinde Rugs, Daghestan & Yuiordes Rugs in Oriental designs, an immense variety of Axminster and Velvet Hearth Rugs, Sheepskin Rugs, and Mats in all Colorings.
Nottingham Lace Curtains in White and Ecru, from $2.00 per pair.
Madras Muslin Curtains, beautifully colored in art designs.
Applique Lace Curtains and Antimacassars.
A large assortment of Tapestries in Silk and Wool for Curtains and Covering Furniture.
Our usual Stock of Bedsteads has been supplemented by a variety of New Patterns in Brass and Brass and Iron, from $10 each.
Children's Cots in great variety.
"Excelsior" and Woven Wire Spring Mattresses in all sizes, Folding Beds and Hammock Cots, &c., &c., &c. [26

KELLY AND WALSH, LIMITED,
HAVE JUST RECEIVED.
Wade's Tzu Erh Chi: Colloquial Series—7.50.
Berlin Society, by Count Paul Vasili—Trans.
Photographs of Chinese Dragon Procession.
New Cabinet Photos of Beauties & Actresses.
Herbert Spencer's Works—Uniform Edition.
A Large Stock of Volumes of Music, Vocal and Instrumental, including Gems of English Song, Gems of German Song, Gems of Scottish Song, Galaxy of Song, Song Folio, Piano at Home, Four Hand Treasure, Minstrel Songs, Old and New; Gems of Waldteufel, Gems of Strauss, Guitar at Home, Ditson's Organ Selections, La Crême de la Crême, Norway Music Album, &c., &c.
Automatic Copying and Black Lead Pencils.
Supplies of Copying and Black Leads for do.
A very large Stock of Cheap MS. Books.
Princess Beatrice Bridal March.
Whyte Melville's Novels—Cheap Editions.
Cavendish Music Books—A Series of full Music Sized Collections of Standard and Popular Vocal and Instrumental Music—40 Cts. each.
Rodger's Pocket Knives.
A Large and very fine selection of Briar Root Pipes, Meerschaum Pipes, Cigar and Cigarette Holders, &c., &c.
CIGARETTES in splendid condition—Sweet Caporals—Little Beauties—Richmond Gem—Straight Cut—El Cometa Oriente—Perfection—Half Caporal—Caporal.
TOBACCOS—Will's Bristol Bird's Eye—Will's Three Castles—Will's Four Seasons—Cope's Golden Cloud—Cope's Straight Cut—Richmond Gem—Richmond Mixture—Bright American Bird's Eye—Cut Cable Coil—Sweet Caporal—Caporal.
KELLY & WALSH, LD., HONGKONG. [24

W. BREWER has just received
Stephens's International Law.
Thorpe's History of Japan.
English Student Life in Pekin.
Lawn Tennis Score Sheets.
Lawn Tennis as a Game of Skill, by Reile.
Chauvenet's Spherical & Practical Astronomy.
Electric Machines by Higgs.
Mark Twain's Birthday Book.
Surgical Handicraft, by Pye.
Praeterita by Ruskin.
Nares's Seamanship, New Edition.
Reed's Engineers' Guide, 11th Edition.
A. B. C. Telegraph Codes.
Summer Nos. of Argosy, All the Year Round, Cassells, Graphic, Illustrated.
Cash Boxes, Despatch Boxes.
Letter Scales in all Sizes.
Oak Stationery Cases.
Pocket Knives, Pocket Pencils.
Hinde's Curling Pins.
Playing Cards in Boxes, Bezique.
New Photos of Fashionable Beauties.
Great Variety in Photo Albums and Frames.
Tennis Shoes, Walking Shoes, Children's Shoes, Ladies' Indoor Shoes.
W. BREWER, Queen's Road.
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL. [25

A YOUNG FOREIGNER with knowledge of the ENGLISH, FRENCH, GERMAN, DUTCH and two INDIAN LANGUAGES, seeks EMPLOYMENT here or elsewhere. Is willing to do anything. Letters with particulars expected under letter C. B,
Office of this Paper.
Hongkong, 15th August, 1885. [1488

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

I HAVE THIS DAY Established myself as GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.
H. DETMERING.
Canton, 1st September, 1885 [1593

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been nominated by Special Appointment COMMERCIAL AGENTS for the FOREIGN BUSINESS of His EXCELLENCY the VICEROY of CHIHLI.
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, 11th July, 1885. [1467

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Business of the SUN KWONG LOONG SHOP at Sandakan was carried on by WONG TIN LUI, U SIN CHEONG TONG, and WONG SAU CHUEN, in Co-Partnership, and that WONG TIN LUI and U SIN CHEONG TONG out of a desire to embark in some other Business, have transferred their Shares of the above-mentioned Shop to WONG SAU CHUEN. All the Chattels, Stock-in-trade and Outstanding Accounts of the SUN KWONG LOONG SHOP as well as its Debts and Loans will be no concern of WONG TIN LUI and U SIN CHEONG TONG hereafter.
WONG TIN LUI,
U SIN CHEONG TONG,
WONG SAU CHUEN,
SUN KWONG LOONG SHOP.
Sandakan, 24th August, 1885. [1533

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 3rd day of June last, YEUNG YUK CHI and his Son YEUNG HEE KUM (the latter having been the Manager) retired from the Business of the HOO TAI LOONG SHOP, No. 50, Praya Central, and Sold all their own Shares of the Business to YEUNG MING LAI TONG who had been until then Partners or Shareholders. Settlement of Accounts has been made. The said YEUNG MING LAI TONG will not hold themselves Responsible for any Debts, Old or New, contracted by the said YEUNG YUK CHI or his Son YEUNG HEE KUM.

Creditors and Debtors are also hereby requested to send their contracts to be signed by YEUNG TSO MAN, YEUNG MAN FUNG, and YEUNG KING SHAN, or certified by the putting on the same documents of the Chop of HOO TAI LOONG MING KEE.
Hongkong, 12th August, 1885. [1470

BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL	$7,500,000.
RESERVE FUND	4,500,000.
RESERVE FOR EQUALIZATION OF DIVIDENDS	500,000.
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS	7,500,000.

COURT OF DIRECTORS:—
Chairman—Hon. F. D. SASSOON.
Deputy Chairman—A. McIVER, Esq.
H. L. Dalrymple, Esq. | E. E. Sassoon, Esq.
H. Hoppius, Esq. | W. H. Forbes, Esq.
M. Grote, Esq. | C. D. Battomley, Esq.
Hon. W. Keswick | A. P. McEwen, Esq.
CHIEF MANAGER.
Hongkong—THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.
MANAGER.
Shanghai—EWEN CAMERON, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON & COUNTY BANK.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per Annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months 3 per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months 4 per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months 5 per Cent. per Annum.
LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
CREDITS granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
DRAFTS granted on London and the chief commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.
T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 24th August, 1885. [6

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, in their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Sums less than $1, or more than $250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than $2,500 in any one year.

3.—Depositors in the Savings Bank having $100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 3½ per cent. per annum will be allowed to Depositors on their daily balances.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book, which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books, but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if marked ON HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK BUSINESS is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the Depositor or his duly appointed Agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 8th May, 1885. [893

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

Registered Office, 40, THREADNEEDLE STREET, LONDON.

BRANCHES IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN AND THE COLONIES.

THE BANK receives money on Deposit, Buys and Sells Bills of Exchange, issues Letters of Credit, forwards Bills for Collection, and Transacts Banking and Agency Business generally on terms to be had on application.

CLAIMS ON THE ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION PURCHASED ON ADVANTAGEOUS TERMS.
H. A. HERBERT,
Manager, Hongkong Branch.
Hongkong, 6th July, 1885. [8

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SIR HARRY SMITH PARKES, Knight Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of SAINT MICHAEL and SAINT GEORGE, lately Her Britannic Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to His Majesty the Emperor of China, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all Persons having any CLAIMS or DEMANDS upon or against the Estate of the said Sir HARRY SMITH PARKES, who died in Peking, in the Empire of China, on the 22nd day of March, 1885, and Letters of Administration to whose Estate were granted by the Supreme Court of Hongkong, in its Probate Jurisdiction, to the Undersigned, one of the Executors named in the Will of the Deceased, are hereby required to send in writing to the Undersigned on or before the 31st day of October, 1885, the full Particulars of their Claims or Demands.

And NOTICE is hereby also given that as soon as possible after the expiration of the period above mentioned, the Undersigned will proceed to distribute the Assets of the said Sir HARRY SMITH PARKES, Deceased, amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the Claims of which he shall then have had Notice and that he will not be liable for the Assets or any part thereof so distributed to any Person or Persons, of whose Claim or Claims he shall not have had Notice at the time of the distribution.

All Persons INDEBTED to the Estate are requested to make immediate Payment to the Undersigned.

Dated in Hongkong, the 18th day of July, 1885.
1327] W. KESWICK.

SAINT RAPHAEL WINE COMPANY.
VALENCE (DROME).

THE Undersigned have been appointed by the above Company Agents for the Sale of their Wine in Hongkong.

This Wine, Sample of which can be seen on application, has a delicious flavour and is invaluable as a tonic and restorative, and possesses real strength and body.

GUEDES & Co.
Hongkong, 3rd September, 1885. [1609

CUTLER, PALMER & Co.
Wine Shippers
OF LONDON, BORDEAUX, CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, MADRAS, LAHORE, KURRACHEE, &c.

Their Representatives in China—
Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. } Hongkong
" SIEMSSEN & Co. } and
" LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. } Shanghai.

Call attention to some of the items consigned to their care by this well-known house:—
CLARETS, Mouton, Larose, St. Julien, &c., in Quarts & Pints.
SHERRY, Selected White Seal and Amoroso.
MANZANILLA.
These Sherries are also shipped in Jars.
INVALIDS' PORT WINE—recommended.
SCOTCH WHISKY, free from fusel oil.
IRISH WHISKY—the best.
GENUINE COGNAC of several qualities distinguished by number of * * * *.
Prices and List of other items on application to either of the above Firms. [2112

AUCTIONS.

POSTPONED SALE.

THE Undersigned will Sell by Public Auction,
THIS DAY,
the 19th September, 1885, at NOON, at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,
AN INVOICE, Comprising:—
DINNER, DESSERT, and BREAKFAST SERVICES, PLATED WARE, GLASS WARE, RODGER'S CUTLERY, &c.
AN INVOICE OF BOHEMIAN WARE, Comprising:—
VASES, JARS, CENTRE PIECES, LUSTRES, and ORNAMENTS.
AND SUNDRY OTHER GOODS.
TERMS OF SALE.—As Customary.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 13th September, 1885. [1682

POSTPONEMENT
OF
PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Sale by Public Auction of the HOP SHING IRON FOUNDRY AND SHIP BUILDING YARD, will take place
THIS DAY,
the 19th day of September, 1885, at 12 o'CLOCK, NOON,
instead of as previously advertised.
C. EWENS,
Solicitor for the Mortgagees;
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 12th September, 1885. [1663

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Captain H. G. FINCHAM, Ordnance Store Department, to Sell by Public Auction, on WEDNESDAY,
the 23rd day of September, 1885, at 2 P.M., at his Residence, No. 5, Richmond Terrace,
THE WHOLE OF HIS
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
Consisting of:—
DRAWING, DINING and BED-ROOM SUITES of HALL & HOLTZ, Shanghai.
BRUSSELS CARPETS, FANCY TABLES, PICTURES, LAMPS, CURTAINS, CORNICES, GLASS and PLATED WARE.
A PIANO, by COLLARD & COLLARD,
&c., &c., &c.
CATALOGUES will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after TUESDAY, the 22nd instant.
TERMS OF SALE.—As Customary.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 17th September, 1885. [1693

INTIMATIONS.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the Undersigned on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd inst., at 3 o'CLOCK P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1885.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 23rd September, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 8th September, 1885. [1632

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION IN LIQUIDATION.

PAYMENT OF 2ND DIVIDEND.

A SECOND DIVIDEND of 12½ per Cent. on all CLAIMS against the Hongkong Branch of the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, that have been approved by the Court of Chancery, will be paid on and after MONDAY NEXT, the 21st August, at the Offices of the NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

The 2nd Dividend is payable on all Claims on which a 1st Dividend has been paid.

CREDITORS are requested to apply to the Bank for their Dividends and to produce the letter they hold from the Official Liquidator, admitting their Claims, in order that the payment of the 2nd Dividend may be endorsed thereon.

J. MELVILLE MATSON,
Attorney for the Official Liquidator,
~~Oriental Bank Corporation~~.
Queen's Road,
24th August, 1885. [1540

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION IN LIQUIDATION.

CONTINUATION LIST OF 1ST DIVIDENDS.

THE Undersigned is authorized to pay on and after MONDAY, 31st August, a 1st DIVIDEND of 50 per Cent. on Claims that have been approved by the Court of Chancery since 20th November, 1884, which includes all O.R.C. Notes deposited at this Office before 16th MARCH, 1885.

Note Certificates—Fixed Deposit Receipts—Drafts—Powers of Attorney, and Authority to receive Dividends must be presented to the Undersigned before the dividends can be paid.

A 2ND DIVIDEND of 12½ per Cent. is also payable on all Claims included in the above mentioned Continuation List.

J. MELVILLE MATSON,
Attorney for the Official Liquidator,
Oriental Bank Corporation
in Liquidation.
Queen's Road,
24th August, 1885. [1541

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS are requested to send in a STATEMENT OF BUSINESS CONTRIBUTED during the Half-Year ended 30th June, 1885, on or before 30th September next, on which date the Accounts will be Closed.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
D. GILLIES,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 17th August, 1885. [1502

NOTICE.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this Harbour, none of the Company's Foremen should be at hand, orders for repairs if sent to the HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the event of complaints being found necessary, communication with the Undersigned is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 26th August, 1885. [1549

TO maintain the high standard quality that our well known FOUR STAR COGNAC has for many years been celebrated for we regret that our friends in Hongkong, owing to depreciation of Silver, cannot offer it for less than $11. We are confident that British Residents in China would prefer that we should maintain the reputation for excellence that our Brandy has earned. Our FOUR STAR quality is held by our esteemed friends Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. and Messrs. SIEMSSEN & Co. for Sale, who have also to offer several Wines of our Shipping.
1690] CUTLER, PALMER & Co.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "DJEMNAH."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamships "INDUS" AND NORD," from London, Havre, and Bordeaux, in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure, and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before NOON, TO-DAY (Wednesday), requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after WEDNESDAY, the 23rd inst., at NOON, will be subject to rent and landing charges at 1 cent. per package per diem.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the 26th inst., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 16th September, 1885.

NETHERLANDS-INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM BATAVIA, SINGAPORE, AND SAIGON.

THE Company's Steamship
"BANTAM,"
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for Countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 15th September, 1885. [1674

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Hongkong, 12th September, 1885. [1665

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Hongkong 15th June, 1885. [1113

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WANTED—A SECRETARY for the above COMPANY. Applications to be made by letter to the Undersigned.
F. H. O. WILSON,
Secretary pro. tem.
Hongkong, 12th September, 1885. [1662

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SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a LIST OF THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the DISTRIBUTION of the PROFITS reserved for CONTRIBUTORS may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF OCTOBER NEXT, will be adjusted by the Company and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted
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A. FINDLAY SMITH, ESQ.

GENERAL MANAGERS:
MESSRS. MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.

BANKERS:
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SOLICITORS:
MESSRS. WOTTON & DEACON.

COMPANY'S OFFICE:
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ABRIDGED PROSPECTUS.

The Company (which was duly incorporated as a Company limited by shares on the 17th day of August, 1885,) has been formed for the purpose of constructing, equipping, and working a line of Tramway between a terminus adjoining St. John's Place in Garden Road and Victoria Gap, Hongkong.

With this object in view, the Company has acquired from the Hon. P. RYRIE and Mr. A. FINDLAY SMITH the right to construct and maintain such a Tramway by an Indenture dated the 12th day of September, 1885, and made between the Hon. P. RYRIE and A. FINDLAY SMITH of the one part and the Company of the other part, whereby these gentlemen granted and assigned to the Company the right to construct and maintain the Tramway No. 6 in the Tramways Ordinance, 1883, and thereby authorised to be made, and all the privileges thereby conferred in so far as the Company might desire to exercise the same in regard to the said Tramway. This indenture is open to inspection at the Office of the Company.

The Public are already alive to the necessity for this undertaking, and are aware of the steadily increasing traffic between the City of Victoria and Victoria Gap, which calls for, and promises to make remunerative, a speedy, economical, and thoroughly effective and safe means of transit to the Peak. This it is the intention of the Company to provide by placing the Gap within seven minutes' ride from the City level.

The general merits of the project have been made known by the local newspapers, and it will therefore be sufficient to state that the Company has taken over a well-matured scheme which has received, during upwards of four years, careful consideration from its Promoters, with the assistance of the best professional advice. One of the Promoters, it may be mentioned, has recently inspected most of the existing mountain tramways in Europe and America.

The construction of the Tramway is now being proceeded with under the superintendence and management of Mr. J. F. BOULTON, Assoc. M. Inst. C.E., and Mr. JAMES ANDERSON, on a principle embracing all the most recent improvements and ensuring absolute safety in working.

In addition to the income from passenger traffic already assured by the great number of residences now existing at the Peak, a considerable revenue is confidently expected from the facilities of access to the mountain offered to visitors and residents. The Company also anticipates an additional income from the overhill traffic to Aberdeen and Pokfulum, and the Carriage of Building Materials, Coal, and General Goods and Parcels.

It is in contemplation to have well-appointed Chairs under the Company's control at the Gap to convey passengers from thence to any point on the mountain at fixed rates, and also, if necessary, Chairs and 'Rickshaws at the lower terminus.

The Ordinances under which the Company will construct this Tramway are Ordinances Nos. 6 and 18 of 1883. The deed of grant, dated the 8th day of April, 1885, is open to inspection at the Office of the Company.

The only Agreements in existence affecting the undertaking are:—

(1)—An Agreement dated the 20th day of April, 1885, whereby Mr. ANDERSON was appointed Manager for the construction of the Tramway and for the other purposes therein mentioned. The burden of this Agreement has been taken over by the Company. This Agreement is open to inspection at the Office of the Company.

(2)—An Agreement dated the Twelfth day of September, 1885, whereby Mr. BOULTON was appointed Resident Engineer of the Peak Tramway, and this Agreement is also open to inspection at the Office of the Company.

Copies of this Prospectus and forms of Application for Shares can be obtained, and a copy of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and plans and estimates, can be seen at the Office of the Company.

Half the number of shares are already taken up. Applications for the balance of the shares will be received by the General Managers up to, and inclusive of, the 15th day of October, 1885.
MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 17th September, 1885. [1692

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J. SMITH,
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Ningpo, 5th September, 1885. [1681

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BIRTH.

At Foochow, on the 11th instant, the wife of WADE GARDNER, of a daughter. [1709

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, SEPTEMBER 19TH, 1885.

THAT the Russian Government in past years cast covetous eyes on the Japanese island of Tsushima is a matter of notoriety, but we thought that they had relinquished the idea of its acquisition in favour of Quelpart or some harbour in Korean territory. If the *Novoye Vremya* is to be credited, however, and it is usually well informed, if it is not indeed a semi-official organ, the designs on Tsushima entertained a quarter of a century ago are still cherished at St. Petersburg. The *Novoye*, after remarking that though Russia possesses some convenient harbours on the coast of Eastern Siberia, she has not one that is not closed by ice in the winter, a drawback to which even Vladivostock is subject, goes on to say:—"The fleet must have a well protected haven, where it will be safe from a powerful foe, and where it can take on board all that it needs. It must be open to navigation the whole year through, otherwise the fleet would be forced to remain inactive for months, unable to perform its duty of guarding the coasts. Such a harbour as that which Russia requires, which is not closed by ice at any time, is on an island belonging to Japan in the Korean Straits, known as Tsushima. A bight in it can hold an enormous fleet; the high mountains surrounding it are precisely fitted for fortifications. Moreover, Tsushima would have great importance for trade, because it lies right in the way between Korea and Japan in one direction, and between the ports of China and those of Eastern Siberia in the other. The island would in course of time possess an importance equal to that now possessed by Hongkong. The ownership of the island, or at any rate of the harbour, is essential for Russia, because another European maritime power might easily seize it. The idea of occupying this island was mooted in 1861-62; a portion of it was then actually occupied by Russian sailors. The corvette *Possadnik* visited the place under the command of the late Captain VIRYULEW, and other vessels of the Russian squadron also. The *Possadnik* lay for months at anchor in the bay, and the Russian flag waved over the hills surrounding it." The *London and China Express* supplements this little historical incident by stating that Admiral Sir JAMES HOPE, on hearing of the Russian move, proceeded to Tsushima and found the Russians installed in huts on the shore, forming quite a village, with their flag flying on the heights. The admiral anchored his vessel, and on being visited by the Russian officer, and questioned as to his movements, stated that he proposed maintaining an English man-of-war in the harbour as long as the Russians remained there. Ultimately the latter returned on board their vessel and retired, leaving the islands to their original owners. There have at different times been rumours of an intention on the part of the Russians to revisit the scene of this exploit, but they have apparently deemed it wiser to respect Japanese rights up to the present time.

And now, with whatever intention the Russian naval establishment has been withdrawn from Nagasaki, it seems to us the day for laying violent hands on Tsushima has gone by. Korea could not resist the occupation of one of her ports or one of the islands fringing her coasts, but Japan is in a position to refuse to allow such appropriation. She has a navy, and knows how to handle it fairly well. Moreover, the Japanese Government have set to work to fortify Tsushima, acting under prevision of the necessity for such a precaution. They certainly would never agree to cede such a valuable dependency as Tsushima, which occupies so commanding a position in the centre of the Straits of Korea. The island is some forty-five miles in length by twelve in breadth, and possesses an excellent harbour. Holding such a post as this, Russia would have her thumb on Korea and Japan, and would be a constant threat to China likewise. It is not to be supposed either that any of the Treaty Powers would sanction such an attempt to despoil Japan of a valuable dependency. Japan submitted to the exchange of southern Saghalien for the Kurile Islands, but she would not barter away a large island close to her coast for a pecuniary consideration, the only one Russia could offer now. If Great Britain keeps Port Hamilton she will pay for it in hard coin or rent the islands; but the case is not parallel, for the islands comprising that station are too small to be of value to Korea and will not be retained without the permission of the Korean Government. Their occupation was only justifiable as a measure of self-defence under the impression that war with Russia was imminent and that that Power intended to take them herself or seize Quelpart. Moreover, Port Hamilton has no territorial value, while Tsushima is really a considerable island and contains quite a large Japanese population. The Japanese Government will do well to take note of the proposal of the *Novoye Vremya*, and push on the fortification of the harbour of Tsushima. It will also be advisable for them to keep a powerful ironclad in the harbour ready to watch any stray vessel of the Russian fleet charged with a mission in those waters. It is possible of course that the Russian journal's utterance may not have been inspired, but the fact of its passing the Press Censor is sufficient to show that it was not disapproved. The incident at all events is sufficient to excite doubt and put the Japanese Government on their guard, more especially since it is known that Russia avowedly desires most strongly to become possessed of a good port in Eastern waters that will be open to navigation all the year round.

The U. S. gunboat *Alert* arrived at Nagasaki from Jenchuan on the 9th inst. She left again almost immediately, destination unknown.

According to the Foochow *Echo*, the Chinese there say that one solitary stalk of bamboo grows each year called the "Dragon-Phœnix," and that it is sent to Peking to be made into chopsticks for the use of the Imperial family.

We understand that since the appeal from the decision of the court in the case of Wong Shing Hing v. the Government of Macao in regard to the $100,000 deposited at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank fall through, the amount has been withdrawn and lodged at the Macao Treasury.

The rumour current some days since that the Spanish steamer *Don Juan* had been seized by a German man-of-war in the Carolines turns out to be unfounded. Messrs. Brandao & Co., the local agents, inform us that they have received a telegram from Manila announcing that the *Don Juan* arrived at that port yesterday morning from the Carolines.

The Chinese in this Colony have not been singular in their large outlay on the celebration of the Dragon or All Souls Festival, for we read in the Foochow *Echo*:—"The ceremonies for the propitiation of 'all spirits, good and evil,' this year have been on a much grander scale than usual, especially those under Government patronage. In some that we have seen, the decorations have been really very pretty and show considerable taste, even from a European point of view."

Several changes (says the *N. C. Daily News*) have taken place in the commands of the C.M.S.N. Co.'s steamers. Captain A. McCaslin has left the *Chiyuen* and goes to Hongkong; Captain Lunt of the *Yekrin* has taken his place, while Mr. Sutton, who was chief officer on board the *Kiangteen* for over four years, is appointed to the command of the *Yehsin*. We believe that Captain Tisdall goes back to the *Fungshun*, and Captain Ferlie to the *Pocchi*.

The steamer *Strathieven*, from Kobé, arrived at Shanghai on the 12th inst., and on going alongside the Associated Wharves collided with the *Ocpack*, the flukes of her port anchor doing some slight damage to the starboard quarter of the latter steamer. The *Daily News* says that "quite an exciting scene was witnessed among the cargo-boats for a short time, and one of them was impinged on the wharf, but did not sustain much damage. There was a strong breeze blowing at the time, and that accounts for the ship being so difficult to manage."

The steamer *Ingo*, from Nagasaki, arrived in Shanghai on the 13th inst. having in tow the British three-masted schooner *Auguste*. This vessel left Ningpo on the 31st August, in ballast, for Nagasaki, but was caught in a typhoon about 100 miles West of the Asses' Ears, which are 80 miles from Nagasaki. This was apparently the same typhoon that the *De Bay* and *Yoritomo Maru* were in on the 4th and 5th inst. The *Auguste* lost her fore and main masts and the mizen top-mast. After the storm abated, a jury fore-mast was rigged, and a course steered for Shanghai. When seven miles S.E. of the Amherst Rocks, the steamer *Ingo* came along at 4 p.m. on the 12th inst. and took her in tow. The *Daily News* states that the mate fell down the after hatchway and sustained serious injuries.

The *Shanghai Courier* says:—"The recent robbery of treasure from the *Fung-shun* has doubtless revived in the minds of some of our older China residents the mysterious disappearance of over sixteen thousand taels worth of specie from the Shanghai Steamship Navigation Company's steamer *Shansi*, some 16 years ago. An investigation was held, but no clue to the theft could be found. The commander, however, of the *Shansi*, Captain Jaine, and his chief officer were dismissed, their reputations as far as the Far East was concerned being gone. We have to-day (14th inst.) heard on good authority, and are pleased to be the first to make it public, that it is now known by whom the two boxes of treasure were stolen and its ultimate disposition. Though Captain Jaine now occupies an excellent position as head wharfinger to one of the largest steamboat companies running into Boston, and outwardly suffers no longer from his too hastily damaged reputation, it will certainly be a great satisfaction to him and his many friends to know that at last time has proved his innocence."

On Thursday afternoon, at about 5.30, a coolie named Kwok Atung, employed in discharging cargo into lighters from the M. M. steamer *Djemnah*, went to the Tsim Tsa Tsui Water Police Station, and complained that he had been stabbed by a seaman on board, the seaman being in an intoxicated condition. As the French mail steamers have the status here of a man-of-war, Inspector Cradock was unable to board the vessel and arrest the man whom the coolie accused of stabbing him, and a good many formalities had to be gone through. The name of the seaman was not known, and a warrant was finally given against some person on board the *Djemnah* to be pointed out by the complainant. Before action could be taken, however, the steamer had left, and we hear instructions have been wired to Shanghai. The Chinaman has a wound in the side, not a serious one, the progress of the weapon having been apparently checked by one of his ribs, otherwise it would probably have proved fatal. It is said the coolies were not working fast enough, and one of the crew of the vessel stirred the complainant up with his boot, whereupon a struggle ensued in which the wound was inflicted.

The Chinese steamer *Meifoo* has been to Foochow to be docked and returned to Shanghai without having been repaired. The Foochow correspondent of the *Daily News* thus explains the reason:—"In entering some of the unsurveyed bays near Amoy she had the misfortune to bump on a ledge of rocks, injuring four or five plates and eighteen frames, and it was for the purpose of having this damage made good that we are favoured with this visit. The Foochow Dock people, however, ask the modest sum of Tls. 2,800 for docking the ship alone for a definite period. Unfortunately for the dock people H.E. the Viceroy declines to pay this exorbitant sum, and the ship is to go to Shanghai, and have the necessary work estimated for by the respective docks there."—The *Meifoo* arrived at Shanghai on the 14th inst., having on board a quantity of the late Tso Tsung-t'ang's effects, and a contingent of 200 soldiers. The *Courier* says that "it was intended to send the body of Tso Tsung-t'ang to Shanghai in the *Meifoo* this trip, but she will return to Foochow to take Viceroy Tso's family and his body to Hankow, and then will be consigned to the Chinese Government as a transport."

The chartered transport *Mexico* left Cape Town on the 16th inst. with the Northamptonshire Regiment on board, and is expected to arrive here on or about the 10th proximo.

We are informed by the Agents (Messrs. Adamson, Bell & Co.) that the Shire line steamer *Pembrokeshire*, from Hamburg, Antwerp, and London, left Singapore yesterday for this port.

The corvette *Ting-yuen*, one of the new ironclads built at Stettin for the Chinese Government, arrived here yesterday afternoon, under the command of Captain A. F. Voss. She had a good passage out. A description of the vessel has already been published. She brings out four torpedo boats, two of which belong to the ship; the other two are destined for service up north.

Says the Foochow *Weekly Echo*:—The remains of the late statesman Tso Tsung-t'ang cannot be removed to his native place until the Imperial sanction is received from Peking, and according to the Chinese law that no coffin is allowed to enter the city, as his house is within the provincial city of Hunan, this sanction has to be obtained. It is said that all the prescriptions for medicine, together with the many observations made thereon by the doctors have been sent to Peking for scrutiny, and, if the Chinese College of surgeons (t'ai-i-yuan) find something wrong, the doctors who attended the late statesman will be sure to receive their dose.

Yesterday afternoon a trial of the "Far East Fire Extinguisher Hand Grenade" was made on the Parade Ground. A pile of firewood about 8ft by 2ft. and 2½ft. high was thoroughly saturated with kerosine and when the flames had got a fair hold Mr. Graydon, who conducted the experiment, broke the grenades with a hammer over the fire. In twenty seconds there were only a few flickering flames left and in ten seconds more the fire was completely extinguished. The number of grenades used to accomplish this was nine or thereabouts. Mr. Graydon claims that the result could have been accomplished, in a shorter time and with the consumption of a smaller number of grenades had he allowed the fire to burn longer before he commenced the experiment, as the more fierce the heat is the more quickly does the fluid contained in the grenade operate. The grenade consists of a small earthenware jar hermetically sealed, which may be broken either by smashing it with a hammer, as Mr. Graydon did yesterday afternoon, or by throwing it against any solid object. When the jar is broken the fluid runs over the fire and is converted by the heat into a gas which renders further combustion impossible. Fire bombs have attained great popularity in America, where they are used in all the Government buildings and in most of the public institutions, as well as by the general public, and last year their sale reached between twenty and thirty millions. If as soon as a fire is discovered the grenades are thrown in, it is at once subdued. For this purpose they ought to be kept in handy places, and as they can be used in a decorative way they may be advantageously placed in twos and threes on brackets about the rooms and passages of any building, or in the saloons, state rooms, and other parts of ships. The grenades used by Mr. Graydon are manufactured in the colony, and the fluid is of a somewhat different description from any yet used, being a compound invented by Mr. Graydon himself. A second trial was made later in the evening on the Chinese Recreation Ground, but this we did not see. We understand that in order to afford all an opportunity of witnessing the effect of the grenades, trials will be made on the Parade Ground every evening for the next few days.

A correspondent writes to the *N. C. Daily News* of the 14th inst:—An instance of Chinese belief and practice with reference to the human soul came under my notice last night, and the features of the case were so remarkable that I think they may be worth recording. Lying awake at 3 a.m. I heard in the street close to my house two strange unearthly voices. Evidently two persons were engaged in this weird dramatic performance; one representing a departing soul, one acting as the friends and relatives deprecating the departure. The first actor gave a low cry, something like a prolonged mew; and this was answered by a loud and earnest *lai, lai*,—"come, come." A pause ensued; and the cry and answering call were repeated. This went on for ten minutes or so, when suddenly the inarticulate cry ceased. It then seemed to my ears as though the second actor, in an agony of distress at the departure into the unseen of the soul he had been entreating to stay, went out into the middle of the street, and with lungs which could have made him heard a mile off, and heard too as he hoped within the confines of the spirit world, he shouted, this time calling by name, "return, return, come." Then there was another pause; and presently the low cry was heard as at a distance. "Come, come," eagerly responded the actor; and now the cry and the answer followed one another more rapidly till the cry seemed close to the caller, and in a smothered chorus, as of welcome, the performance ceased. In the stillness of the night these sounds were strangely impressive, even amidst the remembrance of their grotesque superstition. I cannot be quite sure whether it was a case of actual death, within twelve hours of which the Chinese call for the soul to return, or only a case of serious illness, fainting, or collapse. The performance was probably under the direction of a Taoist necromancer.—We believe this peculiar custom varies in different parts of the country. Up the Yangtsze it is usual for two women to perform this office. When a man dies suddenly, the women walk through the streets, one calling out the name of the deceased, and the other responding "I am coming," the idea being to prevail on the wandering spirit of the deceased to return to its material abode, which, it is presumed, it has temporarily abandoned.

"GIROFLE-GIROFLA" AT THE THEATRE ROYAL.

A rather limited audience was present on Thursday night at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, to witness the performance of Lecocq's charming opera "Girofle-Girofla" by the Emilie Melville Opera Company. The dubious state of the weather and the fact that the opera had been given here by the Mascotte Company quite recently no doubt sufficiently account for the dress circle being scantily occupied. Nor can we, on this occasion, congratulate the Company on a thorough success from a histrionic point of view. The opera was, as usual, well mounted, the scenery being effectively painted and appropriate, but there was an obvious want of preparation. Miss Beresford and Mr. Page were far from letter perfect, had to resort to "gag" very largely, and threw the others out. They evidently had not had time to learn their parts.

Miss Melville, who filled the dual title *rôle*, gave a very fair representation of the twin sisters, but she was certainly not at her best, either in her singing or acting and seemed to be suffering from indisposition. Her drinking song, "See how it sparkles," though well rendered and encored, was not the triumphant success we expected, the house showing little enthusiasm. Signor Verdi made an imposing *Mourzouk*, and on the whole gave a good representation of the fiery Moor. He was not, however, so thoroughly at ease as usual, being somewhat handicapped by the circumstances mentioned above. The part of *Marasquino* was most efficiently led by Mr. Walshe. He acted and sang remarkably well, and we have seldom heard him to better advantage. He deserved more applause for his singing than he received, especially in the duet with *Mourzouk* in the second act. Miss Beresford would have made a most excellent representative of *Aurora* had she been better acquainted with the part, but acted with great spirit. The same remarks apply to Mr. Page's personation of *Don Bolero*. In spite of this drawback, however, he was very funny and created much amusement by his droll asides. The minor parts of *Paquita* and *Pedro* were fairly sustained by Miss Vernie and Mr. R. de Bruze respectively. The *Pirate Chief* was indifferently represented by Mr. Alleyne, and his men should have been armed, instead of only sporting a solitary cutlass amongst them.

The accompaniments were played by Signor Valenza in his usual able manner.

To-night the Company will produce George Bizet's celebrated opera "Carmen," with Miss Melville in the title *rôle*. As this opera has never been given in Hongkong, and has been a signal success in London, we may safely predict there will be a full house to-night.

THE GARRISON ASSAULT AT ARMS.

Prevented by bad weather from taking place on Thursday, this event came off yesterday afternoon, when, favoured by the best possible weather, there was a very large attendance, among those present being H.E., the Governor, Col. Graves (The Buffs) and Mrs. Graves, Col. Crawford, R.A., most of the officers of the Garrison, &c. The programme was a lengthy one, and these present certainly had plenty for their money. The men showed great proficiency, and their performances were such as would do no discredit to any gymnasium. The leader of the evolutions, Corpl. Instructor Wilson, showed himself a most finished and clever gymnast, everything he did being clean and in beautiful style, while his feats of strength on the bar were really remarkable. Among the gymnasts was a tall gun lascar, who seemed to have made such progress with these, to him, alien sports, as to be fairly up to the average of the rest, though not quite up to the standard of most of them in muscle. Judging by the appearance of the men, the exercises seem to have been most beneficial and health promoting.

The band of The Buffs, under Mr. Kelly, added much to the general enjoyment by performing with their usual skill the following programme of music:—

Grand March...	"L'Africaine"	Meyerbeer
Overture.....	"French Comedy"	Kela Bela
Gavotte	"La Bijou"	Rotlaun
Valse	"La Barcarolle"	Waldteufel
Selection	"Scotch Medley"	Cavallini
Valse	"Invicta"	Sangster
Galop	"Polish Lancers"	Jansbi

Appended are the events, which were not competitions for prizes:—

DUMB BELLS.—Squad of the Buffs. Under the command of a non-commissioned officer a large squad of men went through a set of dumb bell exercises, all working in unison, and with almost the precision of a machine. The sight was a very pretty one, and the exercise such as was eminently calculated to promote a healthy muscular development.

BOXING.—Bombardier Poole and Gunner Mullet. This was a capital contest, the men being well matched, and both fairly active and fairly skilful. There was no light tapping indulged in, but on either side it was good solid pounding, knocking each other's heads back on their shoulders, and making their ribs ring. It was hard to tell which did the most execution.

FENCING AND SALUTE.

Pte. Lewis.....	Lt. D'Aeth.
Corp. Instructor Wilson.....	Lt. Lloyd.
Gr. Power	Lt. Dauchish.
Pte. Jones.....	Pte. Sheepwash.
Lce. Corp. Greenland	Sergt. Giles.

The men first went through the orthodox movements of fencing and salute in two lines, facing each other, and then Pte. Lewis and Lieut. D'Aeth were left by themselves to fight out a fencing contest. Both exhibited much skill, Pte. Lewis scoring rather the greater number of hits.

SIKH COMBAT.—Havildar Gundah Singh and Br. Jewallah Singh. This was a novel and interesting contest. The men were each provided with a straight wooden sword and a small round buckler about six inches in diameter. The cuts were of a novel character, the weapons being swung round like the sails of a windmill, with constantly reversing action. The men were pretty evenly matched, and gave each other some raps on the shins and arms.

SINGLE STICK AND MELEE.—Lance Corpl. Smith and Pte. Lewis. This was another capital even contest, Lewis getting much the best of it at first, but the other man put in some good work in the latter half of the time. The contest was finished up by a lot of fencers rushing in and making a melée.

INDIAN CLUBS.—Corporal Instructor Wilson, Lieut. Lloyd, Corporal Garrick, Gunner Power, Private Goble, Corporal Barbar. This was a very pretty exercise, the men working with the same precision as with the dumb bells, all being thoroughly well up to their work, and admirably drilled.

QUARTER STAFF.—Lieut. D'Aeth and Pte. Jones. There was some very sharp work in this contest, Lieut. D'Aeth opening with a will, and doing all the execution for a short time. Jones then began to put in a hit or two, and his opponent twice lost his weapon.

VAULTING HORSE.—Officers, non-commissioned officers, and men. There were about a dozen performers, three of whom were officers, and they were led by Private Lewis, a clown also climbing in, and in some of his buffoonery over the horse he gave Lieut. D'Aeth a crack on the side of the head with the heel of his boot, which seemed to amuse everybody but the recipient, who was knocked out of time for a few moments. The men all did well, and there were no failures at any of the different evolutions.

There was then an interval of fifteen minutes, during which eight or nine comical figures sported their own particular hobbies, and cavorted around the court to the amusement of the onlookers. They performed cavalry evolutions, and had tournaments on their fiery paper coated steeds, and generally filled up the time amusingly.

BOXING AND MELEE.—Pte. Jones and Pte. Childs. The boxing here was not quite so much in the way of slogging as the previous contest, both men being very nimble on their pins, and avoiding punishment cleverly. Both gave and took some good hard slogs, however, with the best of humour.

BAYONET EXERCISE.—Squad of the Buffs. This was performed again with the precision of a machine, with the exception of one member, who seemed something like an actor who had forgotten his words, and substituted gag. He retired early, and the rest worked smoothly.

FENCING.—Lieut. Lloyd and Corpl. Instructor Wilson. There was some very clever fencing here, both being well up to their work. Wilson probably scored the greater number of hits.

SINGLE STICK AND MELEE.—Br. Poole and Gunr. Mallett. The fencing here was very pretty, and the contest was wound up in the same way as the former.

SWORD V. BAYONET.—Lieut. D'Aeth and Colr. Sergt. Giles. The former was armed with a sabre, and he had the best of it all the way through, scoring three or four hits to one bayonet prod.

INFANTRY SWORD EXERCISE.

Lt. D'Aeth.....	Col.-Sergt. Giles.
Lt. Mitford	Col.-Sergt. Coulby.
Lt. Dauglish	Sergt. Eaglon.
Lt. Vertue	Sergt. Howard.
Lt. Lloyd	Sergt. Ward.

The remarks on fencing and salute will apply equally to this event, which was performed very prettily.

ANCIENT COMBAT.—Lieut. Lloyd and Corpl. Instructor Wilson. The competitors were each armed with a foil and dagger, or short foil, and each used his two weapons with much skill. It would be hard to say who was best man.

HORIZONTAL BAR.—Officers, non-commissioned officers, and men. The performers showed even greater proficiency here than they did on the vaulting horse, and as each man gave his own selections of evolutions, there was a considerable variety. Corpl. Instructor Wilson was remarkably good, while Lieut. Lloyd's finishing performance, the grand circle, elicited much applause. The rest all acquitted themselves well.

VAULTING HORSE.—Officers, non-commissioned officers, and men. This was a similar event to the one mentioned above.

Owing to the approach of darkness a sword and bayonet melee, and an artillery driving competition had to be abandoned. The arrangements were under the management of—Committe—Major Hamilton (Buffs), Major Jackson (Buffs), Major Riddell, R.A., Lieut. Conolly, R.A., Lieut. D'Aeth (Buffs), and Lieut. Lloyd (Buffs).—Sub-Committee—Garrison Sergt.-Major Meredith, Sergt. Major Clark, Sergt. Major Gleeson, Sergt. Major Wilkinson, Colr. Sergt. Giles, and Corpl. Instructor Wilson.—Umpires—Lieut. and Adjutant Ravenhill (Buffs), and Lieut. Brooks, R.A.

Mr. Dorabjee, of the Victoria Hotel, had a stall for refreshment on the Gymnasium Ground above, the profits of which he gives to augment the fund, though as very few seemed to know of its whereabouts the profits from that establishment were probably not over heavy. Judging by the large number present, including many Chinese, there will probably be a useful sum to go towards relieving the unhappy sufferers by the Kwangtung floods.

"Yass," said arnold settler, "we ran horses in Texas." "Then you take an interest in the noble sport?" asked the stranger. "I was engaged in a hoss race some years ago in which I took a right smart interest." "Running race?" "Hit war." "Mile-or-half-mile-track?" "Hit war a 50-mile track, stranger. Texas is a big State." "A 50-mile track! I never heard of such a thing. And did you win?" "I won the hoss, stranger."

NAVIGATION OF THE CANTON RIVER.

The notification given below has been issued by Her Majesty's Consul at Canton. The Southern Channel, which is the one by which alone ocean steamers can reach Canton, is still obstructed by the barrier in Collinson Reach. The steamboat *Powan*, which arrived here yesterday morning, came right through from Canton without stopping:—

Her Majesty's Consulate,
Canton, 17th September, 1885.

The undersigned begs to circulate, for the information of British subjects interested in shipping, translation of a letter received to-day from His Excellency the Viceroy.

"Some time ago measures of defence were taken, and torpedoes were laid down the river from the Bogue to Canton; steamers going to and fro had therefore to employ torpedo pilots, and to anchor in order to be recognised. The reason for these defensive measures has now ceased to exist, and many of the torpedoes have been taken up, and steamers going in the Channel from the Bogue or the Wei-yuan fort by way of Yu-chu to Canton [i.e., by the Northern Channel] can now do so without danger of striking torpedoes; but along the banks of the river there are still some floating torpedoes which it will take some time to get up. Vessels coming up the river must be careful not to go on the banks. Steamers need now no longer use torpedo pilots; they may also travel at night and need not anchor till next morning.

"The Viceroy requests H. M. Consul to circulate his letter among the British merchants."

(Sd.) CHRISTOPHER THOMAS GARDNER,
H. M. Consul.

SUPREME COURT.

18th September.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE MR. JUSTICE ACKROYD.

WONG YIK AND ANOTHER v. OW WING CHEE.

This was a contest for priority of claim upon a sum of money paid into court as the proceeds of a sale of the effects of a defendant in a suit in the court against whom judgment had been given. Mr. Mossop acted on behalf of the plaintiff in that suit, which was numbered 734 on the list, and he obtained judgment against a defendant named Ow Kim, as representative of the firm of Kwong On, at 67, Praya West. Before judgment was given Mr. Wotton intimated on behalf of Wong Yik that he objected to judgment being given in the suit on the ground that the person sued was dead. Mr. Mossop objected that he ought to have had notice of the objection of Mr. Wotton, and the case was adjourned to the 30th July, when his lordship gave judgment for the amount claimed with costs. The judgment was put into execution, and the effects of the Kwong On firm were sold by auction and the proceeds were paid into Court. On the 27th August, Mr. Wotton, who represented the plaintiffs in suits 732 and 733, which were also brought against the Kwong On firm, claimed to have the judgment set aside on the ground of its being invalid from the nature of the proceedings by which it was obtained, and that the plaintiffs in the two suits in which he was instructed should have a prior claim upon the money which was paid into court as the proceeds of the sale of the effects of the Kwong On firm. Mr. Wotton also proved that Ow Kim, the person Mr. Mossop's client sued, had been dead ten years. Mr. Mossop contended that Mr. Wotton was too late with his application, and further, that not being a party to the suit in which he obtained judgment, it was not open to him to step in and raise the contentions he had done, although it might have been open at the proper time, which was past, to the other parties concerned in the suit.

His Lordship reserved his decision at the time, and now gave judgment for the amount claimed, with costs.

POLICE COURT.

18th September.

BEFORE MR. H. E. WODEHOUSE.

THE RIOT IN EAST-STREET.

The occupant of No. 7, East-street, was before the court on remand, on the charge of unlawfully firing crackers in the street.

It will be remembered that a riot occurred in this street during the recent dragon festival in consequence of a lokang interfering with the firing of crackers by people in the defendant's house. The constable was ill-treated, and had to flee for his life to the roof of a house. His Worship adjourned the case in order that the defendant might obtain an apology from the shopkeepers in the street for what occurred, which he promised to do.

The defendant now produced a document, which Mr. Hung Kam Sing, an interpreter of the court, translated as follows—"We, the Kai Fong of East-street, Taipingshan, say the way in which the people in the street beat the constable is shameful. We think it was through excitement, and not deliberate intention of destroying the police. As the thing is all over, and the people have dispersed, they trust that the case may be dealt with leniently." This was signed by 25 chops which Mr. Hung Kam Sing said he was able to tell were *bond fide* chops.

In answer to his Worship, the defendant said those who signed the document wished it to be taken as an expression of regret that the populace behaved in the way they did, and that there was a breach of the law.

The Capt. Superintendent of Police, who was present, expressed himself satisfied with the apology.

His Worship dismissed the case.

RETURNING FROM BANISHMENT.

Un Alan, unlicensed hawker, was charged with returning from banishment on the 17th inst.

The defendant was a man who had six convictions to his name and on coming out of gaol on his last sentence he was banished from the colony for a period of ten years. He was sent out of the colony, but on Thursday a lokang saw him in the town again, and arrested him.

The defendant said he had come here for the purpose of going on to Singapore.

He was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

FELONIOUS INTENT.

Si Awai, cook, having been found concealed on the premises of one Luk Hok Lun at 47, Queen's-road West, after midnight on Thursday, and being able to give no satisfactory account of his presence there, was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

LARCENY.

Chung Kung Yeung was sent to gaol for a month for stealing clothing and other property to the value of $5 from the dwelling of a stone cutter at Too Pun, British Kowloon, on the 17th inst.

COLLISION BETWEEN H. B. M.'S SLOOP "ALBATROSS" AND THE STEAMER "WHAON."

A collision occurred in the river at about 2.40 a.m. on the 12th inst. between the British sloop-of-war *Albatross* and the British steam-lorcha *Whaon*. From information we have been able to gather on board the *Whaon*, it appears that the steamer left Sheipoo Roads (where she was assisting in trying to raise one of the two sunken Chinese men-of-war) for Shanghai at 5 a.m. on the 11th inst. The weather experienced throughout the passage was very fair. At about 0.30 a.m. on the 12th the *Whaon* arrived off the Red Buoy. It being then very dark, Captain Stout thought it better to anchor for the night, before proceeding further up the river. Anchor was cast at 0.40 a.m., close in to Bush Island and a little over a mile from the Red Buoy. It was the chief officer's watch and he kept a good look-out to see that the riding lamps were burning brightly. About 2.30 a.m. the watchman suddenly drew the attention of the chief officer to a large vessel, which afterwards turned out to be the British sloop-of-war *Albatross* on a voyage from Ningpo to Shanghai, which was rather closely nearing the *Wha-on*. From all appearances the man-of-war was attempting to cross the steamer's bows, before, presumably, going to anchor. However, a few minutes afterwards it became evident that a collision was inevitable. The captain of the man-of-war possibly mistook the steamer's distance; there was, besides, a strong flood tide running and the wind, which occasionally was puffy, may also have influenced the man-of-war's course. The result was that the latter's starboard quarter struck the *Wha-on*. The shock was tremendous, and the chief officer, who stood near the foremast, was knocked clean off his legs. Then both vessels became entangled. One of the quarter-boats of the *Albatross* fouled the *Wha-on's* fore-stay, bending her fore-mast like a reed and springing it. After half an hour's work the *Albatross* cleared herself, and going astern she dropped anchor, shortly afterwards, off the Red Buoy. The damages done to the *Wha-on* are confined to her stem, which, though about a foot thick, is split into fragments down to the waterline. She has also all her port bulwarks, as far as the foremast, carried away. It is most fortunate that the *Albatross* struck the steamer almost at right angles to her bows, or else the *Wha-on* would undoubtedly have filled in less than no time and gone to the bottom. It is astonishing how she stood the tremendous shock so well, considering that she is but a small vessel. This proves that she is not "gingerbread" built. The *Wha-on* left Bush Island at 4 a.m. on the 12th instant arriving off the New Dock at 6 a.m. She is at present under the Messrs. Boyd & Co.'s shears waiting to be docked.

The *Albatross* came up from Woosung on the morning of the 14th inst. The injuries received in the late collision are confined to about four of her planks on the starboard quarter. She had two of her quarter boats smashed in, and some damage done to her hammock netting. The vessel will have to be docked. We hear that it is the belief of some experts on board the *Albatross* that the *Whaon* on the morning in question was anchored in the fairway.—*Mercury*.

TIENTSIN.

7th September.

Mr. H. F. Morrill and Mr. Detring had an interview with H.E. Li Hung-chang. The former gentleman received his final instructions from H.E. and left here yesterday by the *Haeshin*—it is said for your place; his friends say, to take the place of Mr. Denny at Korea.

Admiral Ting and Admiral Sebolin arrived here on Saturday and reported affairs at Korea as not so gloomy as they were when last they were there, in regard to Russia's designs, so H.E. Li begins every day to breathe more freely; with this and Tso's death things begin to brighten for him, and he only waits for the King's messenger to arrive to take away H.E.'s Korean guest, to enable him to go to Peking and to have a few breaths of the air there, although it is an expensive job for His Excellency.

What a farce H.E. Li Hung-chang, Mr. Detring, H.H. Dai In Kun, and Prince Ming have played of late in regard to the pretended enmity of the two latter. If otherwise, why, Prince Ming could have remained in Korea or gone direct to Europe, but coming here as he did was to please H.E. Li Hung-chang and put another feather in his cap at Peking, to show he (Li) could do what no one else could do. It appears that one day when Prince Ming had too much wine he let the cat out of the bag, so you see political farces are also acted here.

H.E. Li Hung-chang paid over the other day to a British firm, through the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, 2½ million Taels for the cruisers to be built for H.E. This sum is bargain money, it is said. Really the shareholders and directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank are to be congratulated on having established here, Millions come and go through the branch at Tientsin. From this it would appear that Britannia has pushed out Germany, and what is there left for the United States, even although holding the proud title of H.E. Li Hung-chang's commercial agents?

From Peking news reaches us to-day that Great Britain is also sliding the United States off the board in regard to railroads. No doubt Great Britain, backed by the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, stands to advantage, and has the best chance there.

From Peking H.E. Li Hung-chang is daily expecting a special messenger from Prince Chun, who will discuss with H.E. about arms, mines, and railroads, and who after such consultation will proceed to Shanghai, it is said. H.E. Li Hung-chang will send a foreign gentleman with him to Shanghai. Our Chinese friends say it may be either Mr. Detring or Mr. Pethick.

8th September.

The steamer *Yung-ching* left for Korea with the telegraph wire, and the tug-boat *Pei-ho* with about three miles of cable, to be laid across the Ya-lu river, so we shall soon be connected by wire with Korea.

The two cruisers ordered to be built at the Vulcan Works, Stettin, have been satisfactorily arranged for. These and the two to be built in England, are to be a test as to which country will make the best job of them, and future orders will be arranged accordingly. It is said that Li Hung-chang acted on Mr. Detring's advice in regard to this matter. It does not look as if France has a chance of receiving any orders, as was generally expected.

As an Imperial Dock is to be built at Port Arthur, H.E. Li Hung-chang has decided to part with the Imperial Dock at Taku. Negotiations had been going on for it with a certain gentleman, but H.E. Li decided to make it an Associated Dock and to continue to retain an interest in it; the arrangement to be as follows:—The Association takes over the Dock, Plant, buildings, ground and free water frontage from the Government at Tls. 100,000; the shares taken by Li Hung-chang Tls. 30,000

Li Tsung-tsi of Chefoo	"	30,000
Our Customs Taotai, with C.M.S.N. & Co.....	"	30,000
Mr. G. Detring.....	"	10,000
Total.....	"	100,000

10th September.

With Admiral Ting arrived from Söul H.E. Ming Chen-yin, Special Ambassador from the King of Korea, to welcome home his father. After an interview with Li Hung-chang he left for Peking to thank Her Majesty on behalf of his master the King of Korea. On his return from Peking H.H. Dai In Kun and Prince Ming return to Korea; that may be after or about the 23rd instant, and then, it is said, Li Hung-chang will be free to go to Peking.

From Peking we learn that Mr. Smithers, Chargé d'Affaires for the United States, handed in railroad estimates to the Tsung

mouth of the Atrek along our Asiatic frontier as far as the almost inaccessible heights of the Thian Shan. For the sake of convenience and as a measure of economy, it has been decided to include within this barrier both Khiva and Bokhara. These Khanates can only benefit by this arrangement, for they will have a share in the revenues derived from it in proportion to their population. The execution of this scheme will no doubt entail a very considerable expenditure, even admitting that the employment of the Cossacks and native militia as Customs officials should do away with the necessity of creating fresh cadres; but this expense should not be regarded as thrown away. Its immediate consequence would be to increase the revenue by at least a million. This new Customs bond would also tend to knit Bokhara and Khiva more closely with us in matters of political economy, as well as simplify the settlement of any questions that may arise on the Persian and Afghan borders. The last consideration that may be urged in favour of this proposal is the practical use to which the large bodies of troops garrisoned in this region may be turned for the advantage of the State exchequer.

THE NEW TEA ROUTE TO THE UNITED STATES.

NEW YORK, 17th August.

The *Tribune* says:—Two thousand tons of tea are crossing the Pacific ocean on the bark *Isabel*, to be landed at Tacoma and forwarded thence to St. Paul, Chicago, and New York by the Northern Pacific Railroad. Mr. Frazar, of the firm of Frazar & Co., the consignors of cargo and agents of the Northern Pacific at Yokohama, discoursed to a reporter on the manifold advantages of the new route. "Up to this time," said he, "there have been two routes by which tea came from Yokohama—overland through San Francisco and around by Suez. They about equally divided the spoils, each route handling 17,000,000 or 18,000,000 pounds. The time by way of the Suez Canal is sixty days, or, when stops are made at Chinese ports, from sixty-eight to seventy-five days. By the other route it is from fifteen to eighteen days between Yokohama and San Francisco, by steamer, and from eleven to seventeen between San Francisco and New York, a total of from twenty-six to thirty-five days. Some of the overland freight is carried in sailing vessels to San Francisco. The quickest trip ever made between these ports by sailing vessels of ours was twenty-eight days. The distance from Yokohama to Tacoma is 700 miles less than that to San Francisco. The freight rate is $1.75 per 100 pounds, while the charges by steamer are $3, and by sailing vessel to San Francisco averaged $2.25. Another ship will bring over a second load in a few days, and if all goes well a regular line will be established from Yokohama to Tacoma and Portland. Ten special trains of twenty cars each will bring the *Isabel's* cargo across the continent. The reason why we can cut rates so low is that there is always plenty of outgoing freight from Tacoma. There are coal mines and sawmills within thirty miles of the wharf where our vessels unload, and much grain is exported. The wharfage there is low, while everything is high in San Francisco, and there is great competition for outgoing freights."

"Sailing vessels never carried anything but the cheaper grades of teas," said another dealer in discussing the new route, "and they came poking along in the latter part of the season. Importers rush the better grades over in a hurry by steamer and rail. The trouble with sailing vessels is their uncertainty. They may make the voyage in one month, or they may take two. With the rapid business changes of the present this is a great drawback."

NEW YORK, 15th August.

The *Shipping List* says:—The Northern Pacific has been obtaining a good deal of gratuitous advertising by the description of a new route for shipping tea from China to the United States. The new route is not however, of importance, except on account of the freight it has established. It is not likely to have any marked influence upon our trade with China, and it will not increase the overland shipments of tea. The Suez route will maintain its supremacy for the reason that the less tea is handled and the shorter the railroad journey it has, the better its condition when it arrives at its destination West of the Rocky Mountains. The Suez route will probably continue in favour west of this line. San Francisco offers the best traffic facilities at present.

A FATAL MISTAKE IN AMERICA.

The *Cleveland* (Ohio, U.S.A.) *Press*, of Feb 23, 1883, publishes an account of a fatal surgical operation which has caused a great commotion among medical men throughout the whole country, Dr. Thayer, the most eminent surgeon in Cleveland, pronouncing it scandalous. It appears that a Mrs. King had been suffering for many years with some disease of the stomach which had resisted the treatment of all the physicians in attendance. The disease commenced with a slight derangement of the digestion, with a poor appetite, followed by a peculiar indescribable distress in the stomach, a feeling that has been described as a faint "all gone" sensation, a sticky slime collecting about the teeth, causing a disagreeable taste, especially in the morning. This sensation was not removed by food, but on the contrary, it was increased. The eyes then became tinged with yellow, and were sunken. After awhile the hands and feet became cold and sticky—a cold perspiration. There was a constant tired and languid feeling. Then followed a dreadful nervousness, with gloomy forebodings. When rising suddenly, there came a dizzy feeling like vertigo. After a time the bowels became costive, so that it was difficult to procure a movement without a cathartic. Soon followed a disposition to spit up the food after eating, sometimes in a sour, fermented condition. All this derangement caused a terrible palpitation of the heart, so as to make the breathing difficult. Finally, the patient was unable to retain any food whatever, and there was constant pain in the abdomen. All prescribed remedies failing to give relief a consultation was held, when it was decided that the patient had a cancer in the stomach, and, in order to save the patient's life, an operation was justifiable. Accordingly, on Feb. 22, 1883, the operation was performed by Dr. Vance, in the presence of Dr. Tuckerman, Dr. Parrier, Dr. Arms, Dr. Gordon, Dr. Lapner, and Dr. Hullwell, of the Police Board. The operation consisted in laying open the cavity of the abdomen and exposing the stomach, bowels, liver, and pancreas. When this had been done, an examination of the organs was made, but, to the horror and dismay of the doctors, there was no cancer to be found. The patient did not have a cancer. When too late, the medical men discovered that they had made a terrible mistake. They sewed the parts together and dressed the wound that they had made, but the poor woman sank from exhaustion and died in a few hours. How sad it must be for the husband of this poor woman to know that his wife died from the effects of a surgical operation that ought never to have been performed. If this woman had taken the proper remedy for dyspepsia (for this is what the disease really was), she would have been living to-day. Seigel's Curative Syrup, a remedy made expressly for dyspepsia or indigestion, has restored many such cases to perfect health after all other kinds of treatment have failed. The evidence of its efficacy in curing this class of cases is too voluminous to be published here, but those who read the published evidence in favour of this dyspeptic remedy do not question its convincing nature; and the article has an extensive sale. Sold by all Chemists and Medicine Vendors throughout the world, and by the proprietors, A. J. White, Limited, 17, Farringdon-road, London, E.C.

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N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES, TRIESTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK, AND BOSTON.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship "VERONA," Captain M. de Horne, with Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for LONDON direct *viâ* SUEZ CANAL and usual Ports of call on FRIDAY, the 25th instant, at FOUR P.M.

Cargo will be received on board until TEN A.M. Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until TEN A.M., on the day of sailing.

For further particulars regarding FREIGHT and PASSAGE apply to the PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.

The Contents and Value of Packages are required to be declared prior to shipment.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading.

N.B.—This Steamer calls at Marseilles.

After the "VERONA" and until further notice, the P. & O. Co.'s Mail Homeward Steamers will leave this Port every alternative TUESDAY, the first of such departures being on 13th October.

A. McIVER,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 16th September, 1885.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MEDITERRANEAN, AND BLACK SEA PORTS, NAPLES, MARSEILLES, AND PORTS OF BRAZIL AND LA PLATA;
ALSO,
LONDON AND ANTWERP, BORDEAUX, LE HAVRE, AND DUNKIRK.

ON THURSDAY, the 1st day of October, 1885, at NOON, the Company's Steamship "ANADYR," Commandant Reynier, with MAIL

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

FRIDAY, 18th September.

EXPORT CARGOES.

Per steamship *Glamis Castle*, sailed on the 16th September:—For London—47,271 lbs. congou, 236,621 lbs. scented paper, 26,649 lbs. scented orange pekoe, 3,679 lbs. sorts, 161 bales waste silk, 85 rolls matting, 244 packages preserves, 99 packages sundries.

Per steamship *Yangtsé*, sailed on the 17th September:—For Continent—1,228 bales silks, 92 bales waste silk, 20 cases silks, 87 bales cocoons, 21 cases Pongees, 750 boxes tea, 427 half-chests tea, 60 chests tea, and 201 packages sundries. For London—449 bales silk, 106 bales waste silk, 1 case chinaware, 1 case silks, and 225 packages sundries.

OPIUM.

Quotations are:—

Malwa (New)	$500 to 510	per picul, alloc. [of 1½ to 2¼ catties.
Malwa (Old)	$530 to 540	per picul, alloc. [of 2¼ to 3 catties.
Patna (New)	$575	per chest.
Benares (New)	560	" "
Benares (Old)	540 nom.	" "

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—
- Telegraphic Transfer 3/5½
- Bank Bills, on demand 3/5½
- Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 3/5½
- Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 3/5½
- Credits, at 4 months' sight 3/6
- Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 3/6½

ON PARIS.—
- Bank Bills, on demand 4.36
- Credits, at 4 months' sight 4.44

ON NEW YORK.—
- Bank Bills, on demand 84
- Credits, 60 days' sight 85½

ON BOMBAY.—
- Telegraphic Transfer 228½
- Bank, on demand 229

ON CALCUTTA.—
- Telegraphic Transfer 228½
- Bank, on demand 229

ON SHANGHAI.—
- Bank, at sight 73½
- Private, 30 days' sight 74½

SHARES.

Quotations are:—

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Shares—161 per cent. premium.

Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited—$490 per share.

China Traders' Insurance Company's Shares—$63 per share.

North China Insurance—Tls. 300 per share.

Yangtsze Insurance Association—Tls. 122 per share.

Chinese Insurance Company, Limited—$175 per share.

On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 148 per share.

Canton Insurance Office, Limited—$82½ per share.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares—$367½ per share.

China Fire Insurance Company's Shares—$75 per share.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's Shares—65 per cent. prem.

Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Shares—$49 per share premium.

Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s Shares—17½ per cent. discount.

China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited—30 per cent. discount, nominal.

Douglas Steamship Company, Limited—$57½ per share.

Hongkong Gas Company's Shares—$90 per share.

Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares—$100 per share.

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—$85 per share.

China Sugar Refining Company (Debentures)—1 per cent. premium nominal.

Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—$80 per share.

Hongkong Ice Company's Shares—$165 per share.

Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—$118 per share.

Perak Tin Mining and Smelting Company—$20 per share.

Selangor Tin Mining Company—$13 per share.

Perak Sugar Cultivation Company—Tls. 12 per share.

Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—$68 per share.

Hongkong Glass Manufacturing Co., Limited.—Par.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 A—2 per cent. premium.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—5 per cent. premium.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—5 per cent. premium.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(From Messrs. Falconer & Co.'s Register.) September 18th.

Thermometer—9 A.M.	79
Thermometer—1 P.M.	83
Thermometer—4 P.M.	80
Thermometer—9 P.M. (Wet bulb)	75
Thermometer—1 P.M. (Wet bulb)	76
Thermometer—4 P.M. (Wet bulb)	78
Thermometer—Maximum	83
Thermometer—Minimum (over night)	75

HONGKONG TIDE-TABLE.

19th to 25th September, 1885.

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	High Water. Hongkong Mean Time.	Height.	Low Water. Hongkong Mean Time.	Height.
		h m	ft. in	h m	ft. in
Sa	19	m 5 12	9 11	0 58 a	0 6
		8 9 a	2 5	11 50 a	2 4
S.	20	m 6 13	9 1	1 6 a	0 3
		8 35 a	2 11		
M.	21	m 6 58	8 4	m 0 26	2 0
		9 37 a	3 2	1 32 a	0 11
Tu	22	m 7 39	4 5	m 1 13	1 7
		8 57 a	3 6	2 3 a	0 0
W	23	m 8 16	3 6	m 1 53 a	1 2
		9 16 a	3 10	2 31 a	—0 1
Th.	24	m 8 51	3 8	m 2 37	0 9
		9 45 a	4 2	3 0 a	0 6
F.	25	m 9 25	3 6	m 3 14	0 4
		9 47 a	4 6	3 36 a	0 2

The height of mean sea-level has been determined at 7.09 feet above zero of the tide-gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard; and the Low-water Ordinary Spring-Tides, to which datum the heights in these Tables are referred, as 5.595 feet above zero.

The heights in the Tables marked with a minus (—) sign are below Low-Water Ordinary Spring-Tides, and should be subtracted from the constants given above.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

17th September 1885, at 4 P.M.

Station.	Barometer red. to sea level & 32° Fahr.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.	Rain last 24 hours.
Manila	29.84	90	58	W	1	b	—
Haiphong	29.86	85	85	N	2	c	—
Hongkong	29.90	78	89	ENE	4	c	—
Amoy	30.02	88	75	W	3	c	—
Shanghai	29.95	75	70	W	5	c	—
Nagasaki	29.90	—	—	N	4	c	—
Wusung	29.81	86	—	WSW	2	c	—

18th September, 1885, at 10 A.M.

Station.	Barometer red. to sea level & 32° Fahr.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.	Rain last 24 hours.
Manila	29.93	85	73	SW	1	b	—
Haiphong	29.96	82	71	N	1	b	—
Hongkong	30.00	76	93	ENE	4	c	0.01
Amoy	30.10	79	74	W	3	c	—
Shanghai	29.91	73	83	WSW	3	b	—
Nagasaki	29.91	—	—	N	3	b	—
Wusung	29.85	83	—	—	0	c	—

The Barometer has risen. Gradients continue rather steep for N.E. winds. The temperature and humidity continue moderate. Fine weather prevails.

W. DOBERCK.

Hongkong Observatory, 18th September, 1885.

METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

	Previous day at 4 p.m.	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	29.89	30.00	29.94
Temperature	78	78	79
Humidity	80	93	72
Direction of wind	E.N.E.	E.N.E.	E.
Force of wind	4	4	4
Weather	c.	c.	c.
Rain	—	0.05	—

1.—Barometer reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit and to the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.
2.—Temperature in the shade in degrees Fahrenheit.
3.—Humidity is percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.
4.—Direction of the Wind to two points.
5.—Force of the Wind according to Beaufort Scale.
6.—State of the Weather.—B, blue sky; C, detached clouds; D, drizzling rain; F, fog; G, gloomy; H, hail; L, lightning; O, overcast; P, passing showers; Q, squally; R, rain; S, snow; T, thunder; V, visibility; W, dew(wet).
7.—Rain in inches, tenths and hundredths.

W. DOBERCK.

Hongkong Observatory, 18th September, 1885.

INSURANCES.

NOTICE.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

The Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS on FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS at ¼ per Cent. Nett premium per Annum.

NORTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 20th May, 1881. [1

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents of the above Company, are authorized to INSURE against FIRE at Current Rates.

GILMAN & Co.

Hongkong, 1st January 1882. [16

THE STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED 1825.

Accumulated Funds 31st Dec., 1884 ...£ 6,466,527
Annual Revenue ... Do. ...£ 883,884
Subsisting Assurances Do. ...£20,467,582

The Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company are prepared to receive proposals for LIFE ASSURANCE.

Policies will be issued immediately on Acceptance of Risks by the Board of Directors in Shanghai.

THE BORNEO CO., LIMITED.

Hongkong, 30th June, 1885. [1208

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

The Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to GRANT POLICIES against FIRE to the extent of $60,000 on any one

FIRST-CLASS RISK.

RATES ON FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS REDUCED to ¼ PER CENT. NETT PER ANNUM FROM THIS DATE.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents,
Imperial Fire Insurance Company.

Hongkong, 9th May, 1881. [17

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE THE FIRST. A.D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation, are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London, or at the principal Ports of India, China, and Australia.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates.

LIFE DEPARTMENT.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000, at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong 26th July, 1872. [11

SINGAPORE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—SINGAPORE.

We are prepared to GRANT POLICIES against FIRE on usual Terms at Current Rates. All CONTRIBUTORS of Business whether Shareholders or not are entitled to Share in the BONUS.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July, 1885. [1277

THE PACIFIC MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA.

THE POLICIES of the Company impose no restriction upon Residence or Travel. LOWER RATES and BETTER RETURNS offered than by any other Life Insurance Company represented in this Colony.

A. HINZ,
Agent for China and Japan.

Hongkong, 8th September, 1885. [1631

GENERAL LIFE AND FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to GRANT POLICIES against FIRE and LIFE at Current Rates.

PUSTAU & Co.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1885. [696

CALEDONIAN FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED 1805.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to issue Policies of Insurance against Fire on the usual terms.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, January, 1883. [927

NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

LIFE ASSURANCE ONLY.

Purely mutual; all profits belong to Policyholders and apportionments are made annually.

STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1883.

Accumulated Funds ..... £11,379,944.
Surplus over all liabilities and Reserve Fund according to valuation made by the Government ..... £ 2,139,338.
Income for year 1883 ..... £ 2,717,509.

C. SETON LINDSAY,
Res. Manager,
Department of the East.

BIRLEY, DALRYMPLE & Co., Agents, Hongkong.

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NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY AT HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to GRANT INSURANCES to the extent of $65,000, on first-class risks at current rates.

MELCHERS & Co.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1876. [10

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

CAPITAL (SUBSCRIBED), $1,000,000.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

BAN HUP, Esq. | YOW CHONG PENG, Esq.
CHAN LI CHOY, Esq. | Q. HOI CHUNE, Esq.

The Company GRANTS POLICIES on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World, payable at any of its Agencies.

Contributory Dividends are payable to all Contributors of Business, whether they are Shareholders or not.

WOO LIN YUEN,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, Queen's Road West,
Hongkong, 14th March, 1881. [1684

PHŒNIX FIRE OFFICE.

The Undersigned are now prepared to GRANT POLICIES of INSURANCE against FIRE at the following Rates:—

On First-class European Tenements ..... at ½ / Net per Annum.
On First-class Godowns, & Merchandise stored therein ..... at ¼ % Net per Annum.
On Coals ..... at 1 % Net per Annum
On Petroleum in licensed Godowns ..... at 1½ % Net per Annum.
On First-class Chinese Tenements ..... at 2½ % Net per Annum.
On Second-class Chinese Tenements ..... at 2½ % Net per Annum.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., Agents for Phœnix Fire Office.

Hongkong, 5th August, 1881. [15

TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

The Undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SIEMSSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1872. [12

TO BE LET.

TO BE LET.
Possession 1st September, 1885.

THE DETACHED RESIDENCE known as "CRAIGENGOWER," Caine Road. Terms Moderate.

Apply to HO KAI,
16, Bank Buildings,
Queen's Road.

Hongkong, 5th August, 1885. [1430

TO LET.

A VALUABLE SHOP in BANK BUILDINGS adjoining the Victoria Dispensary. Also TWO ROOMS Suitable for OFFICES or RESIDENCES.

Apply to M. STEPHENS,
Solicitor, 18, Bank Buildings.

Hongkong, 3rd July, 1885. [805

TO LET.

(With Possession from 1st October next).

HOUSE No. 8, STANLEY STREET.

No. 31, WELLINGTON STREET.

GAS AND WATER LAID ON.

For Particulars, apply to ROZARIO & Co.

Hongkong, 23rd July, 1885. [1350

TO BE LET.

THE NEWLY BUILT BUNGALOW "RHEDA," on Bonham Road, above Westborne Villas; FIVE GOOD ROOMS, OUT OFFICES, and SMALL GARDEN.

Apply to LINSTEAD & DAVIS.

Hongkong, 3rd September, 1885. [1608

TO LET.

OFFICES and CHAMBERS, No. 7, QUEEN'S ROAD, lately occupied by Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Apply to BIRD & PALMER,

Who will exhibit Plans and arrange Offices to suit applicants.

Hongkong, 9th April, 1885. [717

TO LET.

SIX COMMODIOUS DWELLING HOUSES now being erected in UPPER PEEL STREET, at the back of the American Consulate. Rent Moderate, possession from 1st October next.

A BUNGALOW and OUT-HOUSES, at Kowloon. Rent $30 per month.

Apply to ECA DA SILVA & Co., No. 19, Hollywood Road.

Hongkong, 18th July, 1885. [1318

TO LET.

BELVUE, Kowloon, with GARDEN and TENNIS COURT attached. Entry at once.

Apply to G. C. ANDERSON, 13, Praya Central.

Hongkong, 25th August, 1885. [1537

TO LET.

THE OFFICES No. 54, Queen's Road Central, at present in the occupation of the HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT Co., Limited.

Entry on or about 1st July, 1885.

Apply to G. C. ANDERSON, No. 13, Praya Central.

Hongkong, 27th May, 1885. [1091

HONGKONG WHARF & GODOWNS.

Goods received on STORAGE at Moderate Rates, in First-class Godowns.

Also Entire GODOWNS to be LET

Apply to MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1881. [1031

TO LET.

THE DWELLING HOUSE, PRAYA EAST, No. 12, Immediate Possession.

Apply to MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, 5th May, 1885. [867

TO LET.

ROOMS in CLUB CHAMBERS.

Apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1882. [32

TO LET.

COLLEGE CHAMBERS (late HOTEL DE L'UNIVERS) Single Rooms or Suites of Apartments.

No. 4, OLD BAILY STREET.

Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, 23rd June, 1885. [31

SHOP AND/OR GODOWNS

TO BE LET.

Apply to A. S. WATSON & Co.

Hongkong, 28th July, 1885. [1376

TO BE LET.

HOUSE in ELGIN STREET with 6 ROOMS and OUT-HOUSES. GODOWNS EASTWARD. Water Frontage. GOODS received on STORAGE at Moderate Rates.

LINSTEAD & DAVIS.

Hongkong, 7th August, 1885. [1446

THE STRAITS INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to GRANT POLICIES on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World, at current rates.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, 5th November, 1883. [860

SUN FIRE OFFICE.

The Undersigned are prepared from this date to GRANT POLICIES against FIRE at the Reduced Tariff Rates to the extent of $50,000 on First-class Risks.

LINSTEAD & DAVIS, Agents, Sun Fire Office.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1881. [13

NOTICE.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED,

Is prepared to ACCEPT FIRST-CLASS RISKS at ½ %, nett per Annum, and other INSURANCES at Current Rates.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon, Penang, and the Philippines.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1882. [708a

FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, OF 1877, IN HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned, Agents of the above Company, are Prepared to ACCEPT RISKS at Current Rates.

PUSTAU & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1884 [195

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HONGKONG MARKETS.

As Reported by Chinese on the 13th Sept., 1885.

COTTON GOODS.

American Drills, 30 yards, per piece	$2.25 to 3.10
American Drills, 15lbs., per piece	$3.90 to 8.95
Cotton Yarn, No. 16 to 24, per 100 lbs.	$85.00 to 87.50
Cotton Yarn, No. 28 to 32, per 100 lbs.	$95.50 to 97.50
Cotton Yarn, No. 38 to 42, per 100 lbs.	$106.50 to 109.00
Cotton Yarn, Bombay	$97.50 to 74.00
Chints, per piece	70 to 1.75
Dyed Spotted Shirtings, per piece	$2.60 to 2.85
Dyed Brocades Shirtings, per piece	$2.65 to 3.70
English Drills, 30 yards, per piece	$2.35 to 2.85
English Drills, 14 lbs., per piece	$2.45 to 2.50
English Drills, 15 lbs., per piece	$2.35 to 2.90
Grey Shirtings, 7 lbs., per piece	$1.55 to 1.63
Grey Shirtings, 8 lbs., per piece	$1.77 to 1.85
Grey Shirtings, 8½ lbs., per piece	$1.95 to 2.22
Grey Shirtings, 9 lbs., per piece	$2.65 to 2.75
Grey Shirtings, 10 lbs., per piece	$2.97 to 3.09
Grey T. Cloths, 24yds. & 32 in. 6 lbs. p. pc.	$1.20 to 1.25
Grey T. Cloths, 24yds. & 32 in. 7 lbs. p. pc.	$1.35 to 1.70
Grey T. Cloths, 24yds 36in. 8 lbs. XO p. pc.	$1.69 to 1.85
Grey T. Cloths, 24yds 36in 8 lbs. VV p. pc.	$2.30 to 2.35
Grey T. Cloths, 24yds 36in 8 lbs. XX p. pc.	$2.45 to 2.50
Handkerchiefs, Blue, per dozen	$0.60 to 0.65
Handkerchiefs, Brown, per dozen	$0.55 to 0.62
Handkerchiefs, Red, per dozen	$0.63 to 0.65
Handkerchiefs, Light Red, per dozen	$0.65 to 0.78
White Shirtings, 5½ reed, per piece	$2.15 to 2.35
White Shirtings, 44 to 46 reed, per piece	$2.45 to 2.65
White Shirtings, 68 to 80 reed, per piece	$2.60 to 2.90
White Shirtings, 600 reed, per piece	$3.45 to 3.50
White Shirtings, 7,000 reed, per piece	$3.20 to 3.25
White Shirtings, AA, per piece	$1.65 to 1.70
White Shirtings, FF, per piece	$5.30 to 5.32
White Shirtings, MH, per piece	$3.90 to 3.95
White Spotted Shirtings, per piece	$2.45 to 2.50
White Brocades, per piece	$2.50 to 2.65

WOOLLEN GOODS

Blankets, 8 lbs., per pair	$1.15 to 3.55
Blankets, 9 lbs., per pair	$3.75 to 3.85
Blankets, 10 lbs., per pair	$4.35 to 4.45
Blankets, 12 lbs., per pair	$5.70 to 5.75
Camlets, 88S, per piece	$13.50 to 14.00
Camlets, 98, per piece	$13.50 to 14.00
Camlets, S, per piece	$16.50 to 17.00
Camlets, HBD, per piece	$16.50 to 17.00
Camlets, AAA, per piece	$16.50 to 17.00
Camlets, LLL, per piece	$13.50 to 14.00
Long Ells, MM Scarlet, per piece	$6.65 to 6.70
Long Ells, MM Assorted per piece	$6.65 to 6.70
Long Ells, WH Scarlet, per piece	$6.65 to 7.70
Long Ells, WH Assorted, per piece	$6.65 to 6.70
Long Ells, H Scarlet, per piece	$6.65 to 6.70
Long Ells, H Assorted, per piece	6.70 to 6.75
Spanish Stripes, per yard	$0.72 to 0.73

METALS.

Iron, Nail Rod, per picul	$2.65 to 2.70
Iron, Hoop, per picul	$2.85 to 3.10
Iron, Bar, per picul	$3.30 to 3.35
Iron, Wire, per picul	$3.25 to 3.35
Lead, WB, per picul	$4.20 to 4.25
Lead, L¾, per picul	$4.05 to 4.25
Lead, Hole Chop, per picul	
Quicksilver, English, per picul	$55.00 to 55.20
Quicksilver, American, per picul	$55.00 to 55.20
Steel, English, per tub	$3.65 to 3.75
Steel, Swedish, per tub	$4.15 to 4.25
Spelter, per picul	$5.60 to 5.65
Tin, Malacca, per picul	$33.40 to 34.50
Tin, Plates, per box	$4.90 to 4.95

PRODUCE.

Almonds, per picul	$22.00 to 2.50
Alum, 1st quality, per picul	$2.45 to .55
Alum, 2nd quality, per picul	$1.75 to 1.8
Bark, Camphor, per picul	$17.50 to 18.50
Beche de Mer, per picul	$30.00 to 55.00
Bees Wax, Japan, White, per picul	$17.20 to 17.50
Bees Wax, Hankow, Yellow, per picul	$44.00 to 46.50
Bees Wax, White, per picul	$73.50 to 73.00
Birds' Nests, 1st quality, per picul	$1,650 to 2,400
Birds' Nests, 2nd quality, per picul	$650 to 785
Birds' Nests, 3rd quality, per picul	$75.00 to 200
Buffalo Cow Hides	$7.60 to 8.00
Camphor, packed, per picul	$11.70 to 13.50
Camphor, Barous, clean, per picul	$3.500 to 3.800
Camphor, Refuse, per picul	$1,900 to 1,950
Cardamoms, Superior	$125 to 135
Cardamoms, Inferior, per picul	$32.00 to 33.00
Cloves, per picul	$35.00 to 36.50
Coals, Afloat, per ton	— to —
Coals, English steam, per ton	$10.50 to 10.40
Coals, Sydney, per ton	$9.40
Coffee, per picul	$22.20 to 24.50
Copper, Sheathing, Japan, per picul	$20.50 to 21.00
Copper, Nails, per picul	$33.50 to 32.50
Cotton, Bombay, per picul	$13.50 to 14.80
Cotton, Calcutta, per picul	$17.60 to 17.80
Cotton, Ningpo, per picul	$18.20 to 18.50
Cotton, Shanghai, per picul	$18.80 to 17.00
Cotton, Shantung, pe picul	$16.20 to 16.53
Cotton, Tientsin, per picul	$17.60 to 17.70
Cotton, Tungchow, per picul	$17.50 to 13.00
Cotton Seeds, Saigon	$4.20 to 4.30
Cotton Seeds, Siam	$4.10 to 4.20
Cuttlefish, Japan, per picul	$32.50 to 33.00
Cuttlefish, Japan, without bones, p. pl.	$15.50 to 16.50
Cuttlefish, Chauchow, per picul	$26.00 to 27.50
Dates, Black, per picul	Tls. 2.3.5 to 2.9.7
Dates, Red, per picul	Tls. 3.3.5 to 3.3.5
Dried Lily Flowers	$7.25 to 7.75
Elephant's Teeth, 4 to 5 pieces	$250 to 300
Elephant's Teeth, 7 to 8 pieces	$200 to 220
Flour, California, per sack of 50 lbs	$1.50 to 1.55
Flour, American, per barrel of 100 lbs	$3.20 to 3.30
Flour, American, per barrel of 200 lbs	$6.2 to 6.45
Fungus	$30.00 to 30.00
Flints, per picul	$0.50 to 0.63
Ginseng, American, 1st quality, p. picul	$200 to 285
Ginseng, American, 2nd quality, p. picul	$160 to 210
Hams, Ordinary, per picul	Tls. 17.7.0 to 18.0.0
Hams, Superior, per picul	Tls. 22.5.0 to 31.0.0
Hemp, Hankow, per picul	$10.50 to 12.00
Hemp, Siam, per picul	$10.40 to 11.00
Isinglass, Japan, per picul	$33.00 to 37.00
Melon Seeds, 1st quality, per picul	$4.90 to 5.30
Melon Seeds, 2nd quality, per picul	$4.50 to 4.70
Mushrooms, per picul	$38.0 to 46.50
Mussels, Dry Siam large, per picul	$8.95 to 9.10
Mussels, Dry Siam middle, per picul	$7.25 to 7.45
Mussels, Dry Siam small, per picul	$6.15 to .30
Oil, per picul	$2.15 to .20
Peas, White, per picul	$2.25 to .20
Peas, Green, per picul	$2.25 to 2.20
Peas, Black, per picul	$2.15 to 2.15
Peas, Yellow, per picul	$2.05 to 2.12
Peas, Green Beans, per picul	$2.15 to 2.31
Pearl Barley, per picul	$6.90 to 7.10
Potatoe Flour, per picul	Tls. 1.5.0 to 1.6.0
Rhinoceros Horn, per picul	$2,600 to 3,000
Rhinoceros Horn, Mother, per picul	$2,000 to 2,400
Rice, Siam, No. 1, per picul	$1.82 to 1.87
Rice, Siam, No. 2, per picul	$1.78 to 1.73
Rice, Siam, milled No. 1, per picul	$1.04 to 1.05
Rice, Siam, milled No. 3, per picul	$1.40 to 1.49
Rice, Saigon, No. 1, per picul	$1.57 to 1.60
Rice, Saigon, Hemp bags	$1.72 to 1.74
Rice, Saigon, Straw bags	$1.70 to 1.71
Seaweed, Green, per picul	$1.95 to 2.10
Seaweed, Cut, per picul	$2.35 to 2.43
Sesamum, White, per picul	$4.95 to 5.1
Sesamum, Black, per picul	Tls. 2.4.5 to 2.5.0
Sharksfins, per picul	$35.00 to 60.00
Shellfish, Japan, per picul	$27.00 to 30.00
Shellfish, California, per picul	$11.50 to 12.00
Stockfish, per picul	$5.00 to 6.5

Straits Produce, &c.,—

Betel Nut, per picul	$4.17 to 4.3
Pepper, White, per picul	$27.40 to 27.0
Pepper, Black, per picul	$18.80 to 19.50
Rattan, Straits, per picul	$5.25 to 5.47
Rattans, Bangar, per picul	$4.25 to 4.60
Sandal Wood, Malabar, per picul	$2.95 to 4.10
Sandal Wood, South Seas, per picul	$17.90 to 17.50
Sapan-Wood, Manila, per picul	$1.45 to 1.55
Sapan Wood, Siam, per picul	$2.25 to 2.35
Sugar, Shek-lung, White, No. 1, p.pcl.	$5.32 to 5.54
Sugar, Shek-lung, White, No. 2, p.pcl.	$4.03 to 4.23
Sugar, Shek-lung, Brown, per picul	$ .37 to 2.54
Sugar Candy, Shek-lung, per picul	$2.45 to 8.67
Sugar Candy, Foochow, per picul	$3.77 to 3.7
Sugar Candy, Swatow, White, per picul	$3.34 to 5.45
Vermicelli, Tientsin, per picul	$7.50 to 7.70
Wheat, Tientsin, per picul	$2.15 to 2.0
Wheat, Japan, per picul	$2.15 to 2.0
Wood Oil, per picul	Tls. 6.3.0 to 6.5.0
Window Glass, per box	3.15 to 3.2

SHIPPING IN THE CHINA WATERS.

HONGKONG.

VESSELS.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS.	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
STEAMERS.						
Holas	Sept. 3	E. Tremoya	Span. str	321	Russell & Co	
Airlie	Sept. 14	Ellis	Brit. str	1192	Russell & Co	
Albany	Sept. 16	Ed. Porter	Brit. str	1499	Adamson, Bell & Co	
Arabic	Aug. 28	W. G. Pearne	Brit. str	4368	O. & O. S. S. Co	
Carisbrooke	Sept. 12	Cass	Amr. str	973	Order	
C. of R. Janeiro	Sept. 15	Seabury	Amr. str	3581	P. M. S. S. Co	
Danube	Sept. 17	J. Newton	Brit. str	561	Yuen Fat Hong	
Deuteros	Sept. 14	Leithjens	Ger. str	1197	Russell & Co	
Douglas	Sept. 18	M. Young	Brit. str	982	Douglas Lapraik & Co	
Estrella	Oct. 3	M. de Olea	Span. str	181	Remedios & Co	
Fame	—	Stepani	Brit. str	117	H. & W. Dock Co.	
Gaelic	Sept. 13	H. Davidson	Brit. str	2490	Butterfield & Swire	
Galveston	Sept. 17	W. Chater	Brit. str	1401	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	
Hampshire	Sept. 5	A. Child	Brit. str	1691	H. J. H. Tripp	
Hankow	—	Deville	Brit. str	2235	Butterfield & Swire	
Harter	Sept. 18	Grandin	Brit. str	1194	Russell & Co	
Heron	—	Obery	Brit. str	—	Pustau & Co	
Honam	—	F. F. Cousins	Brit. str	1311	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	
Iolani	Sept. 9	E. Allason	Brit. str	981	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	
Kiukiang	—	A. Benning	Brit. str	1061	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	
Kiungchow	—	S. W. Goggin	Brit. str	288	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	
Lee-yuen	Aug. 10	C. Sins	Chi. str	735	C. M. S. N. Co	
Lorno	Sept. 8	Hunter	Brit. str	1931	Chinese	
Marcia	Sept. 15	W. Mitchell	Brit. str	1010	Siemssen & Co	
Melita	Sept. 14	H. Morck	Ger. str	339	A. R. Marty	
Namoa	Sept. 16	G. Westoby	Brit. str	833	Douglas Lapraik & Co	
Pasig	Sept. —	Fernandez	Span. str	294	Remedios & Co	
Pechili	Sept. 13	Sellar	Brit. str	880	Jardine, Matheson & Co	
Peking	Sept. 18	Hanermann	Brit. str	954	Siemssen & Co	
Picciola	Sept. 9	Ph. Nissen	Ger. str	874	Butterfield & Swire	
Pilot Fish	June 2	Robinson	Brit. str	161	Captain	
Powan	—	Gofavour	Brit. str	1842	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	
Protos	Sept. 12	Sorensen	Ger. str	1903	Order	
Sea Gull	—	Losbiral	Amr. str	18	C. Peelers' Insurance Co	
Smit	Sept. 17	Reubank	Dut. str	841	Chinese	
Soochow	Sept. 15	Lawson	Brit. str	327	Chinese	
Suez	Sept. 6	W. M. Dodd	Brit. str	1390	Glob, Livingston & Co	
Taichiow	Sept. 18	Jordan	Brit. str	802	Yuen Fat Hong	
Tritos	Sept. 18	Bleicken	Ger. str	1340	Ed. Schellhass & Co	
Vespasian	Sept. 17	J. Alexander	Brit. str	793	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	
Volga	Aug. 30	Temple	Fr. str	1013	Messageries Maritimes	
Whit-Glow	—	Clarke	Brit. str	652	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	
W.-o'-the-Wisp	Dec. 23	Owston	Brit. str	166	Pustau & Co	
Zafiro	June 16	—	Brit. str	675	—	
Zambesi	Sept. 16	Sam. Bison	Brit. str	1540	P. & O. S. N. Co	
SAILING VESSELS.			